Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Robert J. Kean created South Dakota Advocacy Services in 1977 and continues to serve as the Executive Director; and,

Whereas, Robert has traveled hundreds of thousands of miles, crisscrossing South Dakota, representing individuals with disabilities; and,

Whereas, Robert has the distinction of representing people with disabilities and their family members in many ways…direct advocacy; legal representation; participation on boards, councils, and committees helping to create and change South Dakota law to the benefit of people with disabilities; and,

Whereas, Robert has been responsible for providing disability-related information, educating the public and service providers, legislators, Governors, and other policymakers; and,

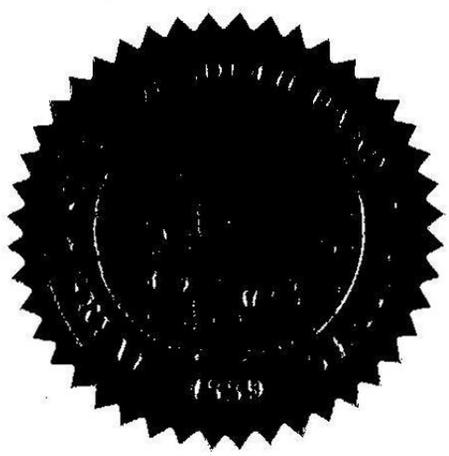
Whereas, Robert not only shares his knowledge but also brings a calm, friendly, educated, and respectful balance to any discussion. These characteristics have made him a trusted associate who has been able to forge working relationships with local, state, national, and tribal governments; and,

Whereas, Robert continues to travel across the state providing leadership, counsel, and assistance to all corners of South Dakota. Robert is a reliable, dedicated, hard-working professional who has rendered invaluable service to the people of South Dakota and his co-workers:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 21, 2012, as

ROBERT J. KEAN DAY

in South Dakota, and I join his colleagues, family, and friends as they recognize Robert for his commitment of 35 years of service to South Dakota Advocacy Services.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State